

HELENA, THE QUEEN CITY.

An Old-Timer Talks of the Early Days and the Many Changes.

When Flour Was Scarce and the Deer Roamed on Main Street.

The Orem-McArdle Prize Fight and the Only Theatre-The Great Centre of Trade.

A young and apparently guileless pilgrim met an old-timer on the streets yesterday and asked him what kind of a place Helena was when he came here and what he thought would be its ultimate destiny, and if he remembered anything about its beginning. The old pioneer replied:

"It is remembered by the old-timers that in the summer of 1864 there was no Last Chance gulch; there was no city of Helena. The hungry coyotes howled their dismal wail from Mt. Helena; grizzly bears growled on the choke cherries growing in what is now Main street, and the wild deer and antelope sported and kicked up their heels on what is known as the east and west sides, and browsed upon the luxuriant grasses which were there. Then came the discovery of gold in Last Chance and Grizzly, in Orofino and Nelson gulches, and its circle we have gradually extended until now we are surrounded by such camps as Cooke City, Argents, Glendale, Butte, Coeur d'Alene, Sweet Grass, Barker, Neilhart, Magnolia and Castle, not to speak of towns and cities, coal and iron mines close at hand, and we are in the spring and summer of '85 and '86, when the placer boom was on in dead earnest and everybody carried a buckskin bag of dust. Wages in the mines were from six to ten dollars and prices for clothing and provisions were in proportion.

In the spring of 1865 flour was \$125 per 100 pounds and very little to be had at that rate. Many settlers in the outlying districts secured their bread from November to May. But deer, elk and buffalo meat could be had for almost nothing at all, and no one seemed to think it a very great hardship to live on "most straight" a long time. In fact, many miners and prospectors who found themselves short of funds at the beginning of winter went out into the valleys of the Missouri, Gallatin, Yellowstone and San rivers for no other purpose than to live on the abundance of wild game which existed there. On the Yellowstone, below Emigrant gulch, bands of elk of from 2,000 to 6,000 could be seen almost any day. In the San river country the plains were black with buffalo and alive with antelope. But all this has been changed, as if by the magic hand of some enchanter. The buffalo have been exterminated, or nearly so; a few antelope remain and what elk are left have been driven to seek safety in the somber forests of the loftiest mountains.

In the place of these are cattle, horses and sheep, domestic animals more suited to the uses of civilized man, and men and women and children, who have turned the wilderness inhabited by wild animals and wild men into smiling valleys of peace and plenty, and all this in not much more than twenty years.

It does not seem very long to the old-timer since Con Orem and Tom McArdle fought a prize fight on the east side, which was then as destitute of buildings as the mountains of the moon. When Jack Langrishe and Geo. R. Waldron ran the only theatre, which was on upper Main street, opposite the International hotel; and the mail and passenger traffic was carried overland by stage coach from St. Joe, Missouri, and the vigilantes occasionally hung a man on the old pine tree in Dry gulch. The buildings on Main street consisted of log cabins, and the man who wore a "biled" shirt was a curiosity and a plug hat was an abomination not to be tolerated. But times have changed, and now the shiny plug and immaculate shirt front are in vogue. The city, after having breathed destruction twice by fire, rises phoenix-like more beautiful and substantial and enduring than ever. Helena was the centre then for the chief city of this great inter-mountain country. That, young man, is the opinion of one who has the precedence given by years of experience to guide his judgment."

RUMBLES OF THE RAIL.

Cause of the Trouble on the Northern Pacific-Freight Traffic Booming.

The late trouble among train men on the Northern Pacific was due to a demand by the conductors and brakemen for an increase in pay. Their proposition was substantially as follows: East of the Cascades, for conductors, \$110 per month, 120 miles allowed for each 100 miles run; 3,000 miles to constitute one month's work. Brakemen, \$75 per month under the same conditions. West of the Cascades, conductors, \$125 per month, 125 miles allowed for each 100 miles run, 3,000 miles to constitute one month's work. Brakemen, \$80 per month under like conditions. The trouble has been settled, the men returning to work, but upon just what basis is not definitely known.

Engineer John Cochrane, of the Montana Central, has just perfected a new cylinder rock, which, it is said, is a pronounced success. He has made application for a patent. The Anaconda smelting company have closed a contract with the Sand Coulee mining company for fifteen hundred tons Sand Coulee coal per week. The Northern Pacific are contemplating making two freight divisions of their lines between Helena and Missoula, instead of one as heretofore. If this change is made, Elliston will probably be chosen as the dividing point, in which case real estate at that point will probably go out of sight. A number of consolidation engines (one of which has already arrived) have been ordered for the heavy mountain work between Helena and Elliston.

Freight business on both the Northern Pacific and Montana Central railways is rushing, while passenger traffic has decreased to an appreciable extent.

The Montana Central have ordered several "lopy" or "lopy" freight engines, which will be used for freight service and one large ten-wheeler for passenger service between Helena and Butte.

The Belt, Neilhart and Barker people will give the iron horse a warm reception on its arrival.

The Drum Lamson Mining company are now using about three cars Sand Coulee coal per week.

Last week caboose No. 5 was turned out of the Montana Central shop at this point. This caboose has been remodeled from the old standard, with a view of withstanding the strain caused by engines used as pushers (that is, coupled behind the caboose) on the heavier grades. The frame consists of a system of Howe trusses, with rather heavy timbers, in addition to which two iron trusses run lengthwise the car between floor and roof, while underneath there are six iron trusses. A buffer of quarter-inch bolt plate is placed above the draw-bar at either end and, altogether, it is perhaps the strongest built car of its kind in this part of the country.

The Union Pacific ticket office in this city will be open from 12 to 5 and from 6 to 7 o'clock to day for the accommodation of California and Salt Lake excursionists.

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We want every mother to know that croup can be prevented. There is no question about this; as it has been done in thousands of cases, and you may depend upon it that when a child takes the croup, it is wholly owing to the negligence of its parents. True croup never appears without due and timely warning; a few hours or a day or two before the attack, the child becomes hoarse, and this hoarseness is the first indication of croup, and is a sure sign that croup is to follow, unless promptly and properly treated. The free use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as directed with each bottle, under the heading, "to prevent croup," will dispel all symptoms of the disease. The first sign of croup, hoarseness, may be overlooked by young mothers or those not familiar with the disease. Under such circumstances, or when not properly treated, the hoarseness becomes more marked and the child shows symptoms of having taken cold, then a peculiar rough cough is developed. Even at this stage Chamberlain's Cough Remedy will prevent the croup, but after the cough has developed, the croup is liable to appear at any moment. The proper way is to keep a bottle of this remedy at hand. It costs but fifty cents and only a few doses, or at most, not over one-third of a bottle is required to dispel all symptoms of the disease. Can you afford to risk so much for so little? There is not the least danger in giving this remedy in large and frequent doses, which are always required, as it contains castor oil, and is a proof of this fact, we refer to John L. Olson, of Des Moines, Ia., whose 10-year-old boy drank the entire contents of a fifty-cent bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy without the least injury. For sale by H. M. Padden & Co.

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Helena, Pacific ex., Butte and south. 2:45 p.m.
Helena and Butte ex., Butte and south. 4:10 p.m.
Marysville ex. 7:30 a.m.

ARRIVE.
St. Paul, Atlantic ex., Butte and south. 11:25 a.m.
Helena, Pacific ex., St. Paul and east. 2:45 p.m.
Helena and Butte ex., Butte and south. 4:10 p.m.
Marysville ex. 7:30 a.m.

Northern Pacific.

ARRIVE.
Through westbound. 2:50 p.m.
Through eastbound. 7:30 p.m.
Butte, Missoula and Helena ex. 12:30 p.m.
Marysville passenger. 8:40 a.m.
Rimini accom. Mon. Wed. and Fri. 5:50 p.m.
Wicks and Boulder passenger. 10:25 a.m.
Marysville accommodation. 3:30 p.m.

DEPART.
Through westbound. 2:10 p.m.
Through eastbound. 7:15 p.m.
Helena, Missoula and Butte ex. 12:30 p.m.
Marysville passenger. 8:40 a.m.
Rimini accom. Mon. Wed. and Fri. 5:15 a.m.
Wicks and Boulder passenger. 10:00 p.m.
Marysville accommodation. 3:40 a.m.

Union Pacific.

DEPART.
For all points east, south and west, via Montana Central and Butte. 4:50 p.m.
Via Northern Pacific and Garrison. 2:15 p.m.

ARRIVE.
From all points east, south and west, via Butte and Montana Central. 11:25 a.m.
Via Garrison and Northern Pacific. 12:30 p.m.

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